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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANTS: Lars STIBLERT et al. CONF. NO.: 9220
SERIAL NO.: 10/692,861 GROUP: 2859
FILED: October 27, 2003 EXAMINER: Amy R. Cohen
FOR: A METHOD FOR CALIBRATION OF A METROLOGY STAGE

COMMENTS ON REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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August 23, 2005

Dear Sir:

In the Notice of Allowance dated May 23, 2005, the Examiner offers reasons why the claims of the present application are allowable over the prior art of record. Although Applicants agree that the various claimed limitations mentioned in claims 1-15 are not taught or suggested by the prior art taken either singly or in combination, Applicants wish to emphasize that it is the language of each claim, including the interrelationships and interconnections between various claimed elements which is allowable over the prior art of record, and not the Examiner's paraphrasing.

Respectfully submitted,

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LETTER

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Sir:

Attached hereto are three (3) sheets of replacement Formal Drawings. Please substitute these replacement drawings for the corresponding three (3) sheets of drawings on file in the above-identified application.

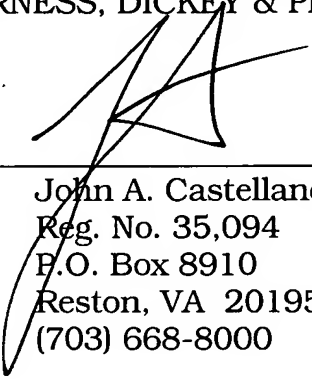
If, for some unforeseen reason, the drawing replacements are not satisfactory, please consider this Letter as a Petition for an Extension of Time to correct the Formal Drawings and immediately contact the undersigned so that appropriate action may be taken.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-0750 for any additional fee required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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